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# Articles of direction touching Alehouses.

**F**irstly, that in every Parish, Hamlet, Township or Precinct, there bee perfect and true Certificate made, how many Alehouses, or Victualling houses were the last day of February last past, And how many of them by Licence, and how many not. And what persons in the places aforesaid keepe any Innes, and how long time the saide house or houses haue beene kept and vsed for Innes.

Also the Justices of the Peace in their several Limits and Districcs, taking Information from the high Constables of the Hundred, Church-wardens.

Wardens and petic Constables, with o-  
ther the substantiall Inhabitants of  
every Parish, Hamlet, Towneship or  
Precince, how many Alehouses, and  
Vicinalling houses are fit there to bee  
kept, and who are the fittest persons in  
respect of their abilitie and condition to  
keepe the same, shall agree, set downe,  
and make presentment of those that  
shalbe allowed at the first Sessions to  
be holden after Easter (where it may be  
so soone performed) or els at some gene-  
rall assembly of the Justices for that  
purpose, to be by them appointed before  
Whitsuntide next, at such severall pla-  
ces within the County, as to them shall  
seeme meete, where five Justices of the  
Peace at the least, whereof two of the  
Quorum, shalbe present with the Clerke  
of the Peace or his Deputie.

A <sup>also</sup> so, that the Justices of the Peace  
of the severall Limits or diuisions, or  
three of them, (wheredof one to be of the  
Quorum) with the Clerke of the Peace or  
his Deputie, within twenty dayes next  
<sup>after</sup>

after such presentment, and Allowances  
as aforesaid, shall assemble themselves  
and take Recognizances, and graunt  
Licences to the severall persons that  
shalbe so allowed, as aforesaid, at the ge-  
nerall Quarter Sessions, or assembly  
of the Justices of Peace, as aforesaid.

~~Item, that none bee Licence to al-~~  
**A** Lso, that none bee Licenced or al-  
lowed to keepe an Alehouse, that is  
in Liuery or Retainer to any man.

~~Item,~~  
**A** Lso, that certaine Articles of good  
order be conceiued by the Justices of  
the Peace fit for every Alehouse keeper,  
Tipler or Victualler to obserue, And  
that the Justices see the same straight-  
ly obserued, And that they doe certifie  
the same before the ende of Trinitie  
Term next, to the Lords of his Ma-  
iesties priuie Councell, to the end, if cause  
so require, further directions may be ad-  
ded hereunto.

~~Item, that no Alehouse keeper be  
bound by Recognizance against un-  
lawfull~~  
**A** Lso, that the Alehouse keepers bee  
bound by Recognizance against un-  
lawfull

lawfullingers, and for keeping of good  
Order and rule in their houses accor-  
ding to the Statute in that behalfe  
made. As also to bring in their Licen-  
ces at that Sessions Twelue moneth,  
or Generall meeting of the Justices of  
Peace, as aforesaid, if hee so long con-  
tinue an Alehouse-keeper, And so vere-  
ly so long as such their Licences shall  
stand in force, to bee allowed or disal-  
lowed, according to the meaning of  
these Articles.

Item to shew & ministracion of A  
All Licences of Alehouse-keepers  
shallbe sealed with a common Seale  
engauen in Brass by Sullier, with a  
Rose, and the Inscription of the Coun-  
tie, Cittie, or Towne corporate, having  
authoritie to hold sessions of the Peace,  
where such Alehouse shall be, And the  
same Seale shallbe appointed and pro-  
vided by the Cleareke of the Peace, or  
Towne-Clearke respectively: For the  
charge of making Whereof, they shall  
have allowance made out of their next  
recipt upon minnigone: At yd summe  
Also

A Lso that the Clearke of the Peace  
in every County, and Towne clarke  
in every City, or other Officer of that  
nature in Townes Corporate, where  
they haue authoritie to holde Sessions  
of the Peace, shall haue the keeping of  
the said Seale, and shall signe the said  
Licences that shall be so allowed as a-  
foresaid with his hand, and set the said  
Seale to the same, And shall haue for  
the making of every such Licence, & ta-  
king Recognizance aforesaid Two Shil-  
lings, And for the Sealing of the said  
Licence with the said common Seale,  
there shall bee payd in hand to the said  
Clarke to his Maesties vse, for all Li-  
cences in Cities, Townes corporate or  
Market Townes Eight shillings a  
piece, and in other Villages Fourte Shil-  
lings. And that no other charge by any  
meanes be imposed upon the said Ale-  
house - keepers, nor reward taken of  
them for their allowance, And the said  
Clarke of the Peace & Towne Clarks,  
and every of them be bound to his Ma-  
estie in Recognizance, with sufficient

Suerties to be taken by the Custos Rotu-  
lorum, or any two Justices of the Peace,  
in a competent summe for the true an-  
swering of their Receipts from time to  
time, into his Majesties Receipt of the  
Exchequer, Within fourtie dayes after  
every Sessions of the Peace, and shall  
pay no fees in the said Court of Exche-  
quer vpon the paying in of his said mo-  
neys, nor for passing of his accompt.  
The perlons Licenced, shal at the Ses-  
sions Twelue moneth, or generall As-  
sembly of the Justices as aforesaid, af-  
ter their Licences granted, bring their  
Licences to the said Sessions, or gene-  
rall Assembly of Justices as aforesaid,  
there to be seene, and consideration to be  
had, whether they shall be found fit to  
stand or not: And if they shall be allow-  
ed by the said Justices, or the more part  
of them to stand for one yeere longer,  
Then the said Clarke shall enter vpon  
the said Licence, Allocatus pro uno alio anno  
duratura, entring withall the date of such  
allowance. And shal receive of the same  
person for such allowance to his Majes-  
ties

ties bce, the like summe as before vpon  
the first granting. And for his such en-  
try of allowance onely Eight pence for  
himselfe. And so shall all Licences bce  
presented, and such summes paid vpon  
allowance, yeerely, as long as the said  
Licences shall remaine in force. And if  
any person so Licenced shall faile to pre-  
sent his Licence to bee allowed or dis-  
allowed, or to pay vpon his allowance  
such summes yeerely as aforesaid, Then  
his Licence shall presently cease and be  
voide.

A Lso to the end that it may certaine-  
ly appeare What Ale-houses shall  
from time to time stand and be allowed  
in forme aforesaide in every Countie, Ci-  
tie and Towne Corporate Where Ju-  
stices of peace are, The Clarke of the  
peace or Towne Clarke shall within  
twentie dayes after the ende of euery  
Sessions, or generall Assemblie of Ju-  
stices as aforesaid, make vp a booke con-  
taining the names of all the persons li-  
censed of new, or continued at such Ses-  
sions,

sions, and the places where they keepe such Ale-houses, and shall present the same to the Justices of the peace at the said Sessions, which saide Justices of the peace, or any fourt of them (whereof two to be of the Quorum or in Cities and Townes Corporate, two Justices of the peace, whereof one to bee of the Quorum,) shall subscribe their names to every page of the said booke, that no alteration may be made. And that the said Justices, or one of them keepe a true note of the number of such Ale-houses entered into such booke, that it may bee knownen for what number and for what time the Clarke of the peace & Towne Clarke ought to answeare.

Before the end of Easter Term next, a true and perfect booke shalbe made by the Clarke of the Peace of every Shire, and the Towne Clarke of every City or Towne Corporate (having authoritie to keepe Sessions of peace) containing all the Ale-houses and Victualing houses in every severall Countie, Cittie

Cittie and Towne Corporate; Within  
this Realme, and how many, and whd  
they be that keepe them. And that be-  
fore the end of Trinitie Term next, a  
true and perfect Transcript be made of  
the same by the Clarke of the Peace or  
Towne Clarke respectively to whome  
it may appertaine. And before the ende  
of the said Trinitie Term the same  
be certified vnder the hands of the Ju-  
stices of Peace of the Shire, Cittie or  
Towne Corporate, or of four of them  
(whereof two to bee of the Quorum, or  
in Cities and Townes Corporate vnder  
the hand of two, whereof one to be  
of the Quorum) to the Lords of his Ma-  
iesties most honourable priue Councel,  
and the like booke and in like manner  
and forme to bee yeerely made, and  
certified at and within the times afore-  
saide.

Also that it bee carefully looked into  
that the number of Ale-houses bee  
not increased but diminished, and spe-  
cially that none be suffered to keepe Ale-

houses unlicensed, or otherwise licensed  
then according to the prescript aforesaid.

**S**aving, that in case where any Alehouse-keeper, Licensed as aforesaid, shall die or remoue, or for his ill rule or misbehaviour, thought fit by two Justices of the Peace, whereof one to be of the Quorum, to be put downe, That then such other to bee appointed in the same Parish or Hamlet, as shalbe Licensed and allowed as aforesaid, at the next Sessions of the Peace, or generall Assizement of the Justices, whereat five Justices of the Peace, with the Clearke of the Peace, or his Deputie shall bee present.

**L**astly, That the Justices of Assize in their Circuits, and Justices of Peace at their generall Sessions of the Peace, doe from time to time enquire of the due execution of these presents, and of all Alehouses kept without such License, as aforesaid, and of all other abuses,

buses, disorders, briberyes, extortions,  
deceipts , and other misdemeanours  
whatsoever , committed or suffered a-  
gainst the prouisions aforesaide,  
and the true meaning  
of them.

